

Newsletter – 7 June 2019

The **talk topics** for next week are as follows:-

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| For Nursery | Why was the Rainbow fish so sad? And what made him happy? |
| For Reception | Summer vacation is around the corner! What are you going to do in your summer vacation? |
| For Year 1 | What is your favourite part of 'Pirates vs. Mermaids'? |
| For Year 2 | How do we know if we have really made our best effort during an activity?" |
| For Year 3 | What are you going to do over the summer break? |
| For Year 4 | Would you like to go to the moon and if you did, what would you do there? |
| For Year 5 | What is D-Day? Discuss this event. |
| For Year 6 | Why are rocks so fascinating? |

Our **International Day this year** will be held tomorrow on Saturday 15th June from 12.00 to 14.30. This will be an opportunity to celebrate the many different nationalities that we have throughout the school. Do come along and see some of the sights, costumes, food and drink that make each country special.

Stallholders can come and set up stalls between 10.00am and 12.00 on Saturday. Tables will be ready for you so please let us know if you will need more than 1 table or require access to an electric power point. Displays are entirely up to you, but possibilities are: a tablecloth or other covering from the country of your choice; displays of local arts and crafts; carvings, pictures, photographs, dolls, posters. You are of course most welcome to come along in your national dress.

Please note that the **Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 Show** is taking place on Monday 17th June at 17.00 and this will be taking place at De Lijsterbes. De Lijsterbes Cultural Centre is located at Lijsterbessenbomenlaan 6, 1950 Kraainem. The theatre can be reached by public transport as well with STIB Bus 42 (Direction Viaduc E40 – Stop is Sint Antonius /Saint Antoine) and the link below shows the location.

<https://www.google.be/maps/@50.8621689,4.4593312,16z?hl=en> .

The Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 will go to the theatre directly from school at 13.00 and they will be provided with a snack at the theatre and will be picked up from the theatre by parents directly after the show at around 18.00.

We look forward to seeing as many parents as possible at this event.

However the **Year 1 and 2 Show** will be on Friday 21st June at 17.00 at the De Kam theatre. You can get to the theatre on the 39 tram from Montgomery.

The theatre is 350m from the stop 'Beek'. The theatre address is Beekstraat 172, 1970 Wezembeek-Oppem. Please see <https://www.google.be/maps/@50.8436526,4.4892453,16.75z?hl=en> for the precise location. Once again the children will be provided with a snack at the theatre and will be picked up from the theatre by parents directly after the show at around 18.00. We hope to be welcoming as many parents as possible to this event too.

On Monday 24th June we shall be hosting the **Nursery and Reception show**. This will be taking place at 11.30am, in the infant department playground, (weather permitting). The afternoon children are invited for the morning session on that day and there will be no afternoon session but if your child has a full time place, provision will be made if you wish them to stay-on after the show.

For all new families arriving in Brussels you may wish to be aware that **children under 12 attending school in Brussels are entitled to travel for free on the Brussels public transport system**. However to do this they must have their own MOBIB card which costs 5 € and then load it with a free subscription J (abonnement J). They then use it every time they enter a bus, tram or metro. More information can be obtained from BISB or www.stib.brussels .

Please be aware that **now half of our classes are already scheduled to be full in September**. This means that if you have already informed us that you are leaving and you find that your plans change so that you wish to continue at BISB then please let us know immediately and we will see what is possible. In some classes it might still be possible to get a place for continuing but unfortunately not in others.

For all those families **paying fees by Domiciliation** each month please note that the target date for the amounts to be taken from your account is always the 3rd of each month. The next deduction will be on Wednesday 3rd July. Also please note that we send the domiciliation information to the bank a few days before the 3rd so any request made only 48 hours before the scheduled date to pause or add a payment is usually too late for us to act upon.

This week's star pupils of this week were:

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| Reception | Stairya for great improvement in her reading and for being a caring friend. Myrah for brilliant drawing and great enthusiasm in everything regarding mini-beasts! |
| Year 1 | Pragnan for being 'on fire' in Maths this week, especially with telling the time. Asritha for a super Mondrian-style painting of a parrot. |

- Year 2 Kuval for his beautiful artwork and for making a real effort to concentrate.
Surya for working so hard on his writing and for producing an amazing bird story, demonstrating everything learnt in Literacy this year.
- Year 3 Ishan for super spelling.
Jacob for good work with doubling numbers.
- Year 4 Aarav for a superb display of fraction mastery in the exams
Tanvi for a phenomenal result in the End of Year maths exam
- Year 5 Swarnima for learning her lines so well for the play and for writing a super text about her school memories.
- Year 6 Shubham for his excellent experiments about the Laws of Refraction. This really was a journey of discovery!

And finally this week's thought for the week is:-

“Justice consists not in being neutral between right and wrong, but in finding out the right and upholding it, wherever found, against the wrong.”

- Theodore Roosevelt (1858 - 1919)

Summer Term 2019

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| Wednesday June 5 th | Year 1 trip to Planckendael Zoo |
| Monday 10 th June | School Closed - Pentecost Holiday |
| Saturday 15 th June | International Day |
| Monday 17 th June 17.00 at De Lijsterbes | Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 Show |
| Friday 21 st June 17.00 at De Kam | Year 1 and 2 Show |
| Monday 24 th June 11.30 – Infant Dept playground | Nursery and Reception show |
| Wednesday 26 th June | Football / Netball Inter School sports tournament |
| Friday 28 th June at 12.15 | End of Summer Term |

BISB School Calendar – Academic Year 2018 / 2019

Autumn Term

Monday, September 3, 2018

Start of Autumn Term

Friday, October 26, 2018 School Closed – Parents’ Appointments Day

Monday, October 29, 2018 Half Term
- Friday, November 2, 2018 Break

Friday, December 21, 2018 at 12.15 **End of Autumn Term**

Spring Term

Monday, January 7, 2019

Start of Spring Term

Friday, March 1, 2019 School Closed – Staff Training Day

Monday, March 4, 2019 Half Term
- Friday, March 8, 2019 Break

Thursday, April 4, 2019 **End of Spring Term**
Friday, April 5, 2019 School Closed – Parents’ Appointments Day

Summer Term

Tuesday, April 23, 2019

Start of Summer Term

Wednesday, May 1, 2019 May Day Public Holiday

Thursday, May 30, 2019 Ascension Public Holiday
Friday, May 31 2019 Half Term Holiday

Monday, June 10, 2019 Pentecost Holiday

Friday June 28th 2019 at 12.15 **End of Summer Term**

Provisional start of Autumn Term - Monday, September 2nd, 2019

BISB School Calendar – Academic Year 2019 / 2020

Autumn Term

Monday, September 2, 2019

Start of Autumn Term

Wednesday, September 11 Curriculum Briefing Evening

Friday, October 25, 2019 School Closed – Parents’ Appointments Day

Monday, October 28, 2019 Half Term
- Friday, November 1, 2019 Break

Monday, November 11, 2019 Armistice Day Holiday

Wednesday, December 18, 2019 at 12.20 **End of Autumn Term**

Spring Term

Monday, January 6, 2020

Start of Spring Term

Friday, Feb 21?, 2020 School Closed – Staff Training Day

Monday, February 24, 2020 Half Term
- Friday, February 28, 2020 Break

Thursday, April 2, 2020

End of Spring Term

Friday, April 3, 2020 School Closed – Parents’ Appointments Day

Summer Term

Monday, April 20, 2020

Start of Summer Term

Friday, May 1, 2020 May Day Public Holiday

Thursday, May 21, 2020 Ascension Public Holiday
Friday, May 22, 2020 Half Term Holiday

Monday, June 1, 2020 Pentecost Holiday

Wednesday July 1 2020 at 12.20 **End of Summer Term**

Provisional start of Autumn Term - Tuesday, September 1st, 2020